

I am in favor of requiring recording the audio portion of all FCC licensed radio broadcasting stations.

The cost is minimal. For less than \$500 I have installed a quality audio recording computer system, which will record two years of all audio broadcast by WIHS. The Recordings are catalogued in 1/2 hour segments throughout the 24 hour day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

I believe any worthy broadcaster would welcome the ability and requirement to record. It solves untold legal liability problems, and it also provides the Station with an excellent resource to determine what was said or what was not said. I have used the recordings multiple times to improve the skills of the staff, as well as to answer listener concerns. I also use it as a "skimmer" to determine if the operating personnel are performing as they should.

So...to me it is a no brainer. Radio Broadcast Stations should have such a system already in place, for their own benefit and use.

Now, whether such recordings should be made available to the FCC is a different matter. I strongly oppose the FCC having access to these recordings to go on any "fishing expeditions" in order to find something objectionable. I would require a Court Order with some very specific times and events previously determined before providing my recordings to the FCC.

So, recording should already be a given by worthwhile broadcasters, but neither the FCC, nor the FBI, nor anyone, except the Station, should have access to the recorded material without some specific mandated court writ ordering otherwise. A station's recordings are PRIVATE property.

Thanks.

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